MINUTES OF AN OPEN SESSION COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE MEETING OF THE BOARD OF EDUCATION, KENILWORTH SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 38, COOK COUNTY, ILLINOIS; HELD IN THE CAFENASIUM AT THE JOSEPH SEARS SCHOOL, 542 ABBOTSFORD RD., KENILWORTH, ILLINOIS, AT 5:00 P.M. ON THE 21ST DAY OF JANUARY 2025.

President Paul Anderson called the meeting to order at 5:05 p.m. Upon Roll Call, the following Board members answered as present: Mr. Paul Anderson, Mr. Bill Graham, Ms. Lisa Graham (arrived at 6:03 p.m.), Mr. Eric Hayes, Mr. Ashish Kaura (arrived at 5:18 p.m.), and Ms. Kate Tarbert.

The following members were absent: Mr. Steve Potter.

Also present were Ms. Kate Donegan, Superintendent and Ms. Rachel White, Recording Secretary.

ADJOURN TO CLOSED SESSION FOR CONSIDERATION OF THE APPOINTMENT, EMPLOYMENT, COMPENSATION, DISCIPLINE, PERFORMANCE, OR DISMISSAL OF SPECIFIC EMPLOYEES [5 ILCS 120/2 (C) (1)]

Mr. Anderson entertained a motion to go into Closed Session for consideration of the appointment, employment, compensation, discipline, performance, or dismissal of specific employees.[5 ILCS 120/2 (c) (1)]

A motion was made by Mr. Graham, seconded by Mr. Hayes, to go into closed session at 5:06 p.m. The motion was carried with a voice vote of 4 to 0.

RECONVENE OPEN SESSION

The Board returned to open session at 7:00 p.m.

Upon Roll Call, the following Board members answered as present: Mr. Paul Anderson, Mr. Bill Graham, Ms. Lisa Graham, Mr. Eric Hayes, Mr. Ashish Kaura, and Ms. Kate Tarbert.

The following members were absent: Mr. Steve Potter.

Also present were Ms. Kate Donegan, Superintendent; Dr. Carrie De La Cruz, Director of Student Services; Mr. Nathan McBride, Chief Operating Officer; and Ms. Rachel White, Recording Secretary.

PUBLIC COMMENT

Mr. Anderson invited public comment. There was none.

NEW BUSINESS

Final Reading and Adoption of IASB-Recommended School Board Policy Updates: Issue 117

Section 2 - Board of Education
2:105 - Ethics and Gift Ban - *Draft Update*
2:120 - Board Member Development - *Draft Update*

Section 4 - Operational Services
4:30 - Revenue and Investments - *Draft Update*
4:60 - Purchases and Contracts - *Draft Update*
4:150 - Facility Management and Building Programs - *Draft Update*
4:170 - Safety - *Draft Update*

Section 5 - Personnel
5:10 - Equal Employment Opportunity and Minority Recruitment - *Draft Update*
5:20 - Workplace Harassment Prohibited - *Draft Update*
5:90 - Abused and Neglected Child Reporting - *Draft Update*
5:125 - Personal Technology and Social Media; Usage and Conduct - *Draft Update*
5:230 - Maintaining Student Discipline - *Draft Update*

Section 6 - Instruction
6:60 - Curriculum Content - *Draft Update*
6:135 - Accelerated Placement Program - *Draft Update*
6:270 - Guidance and Counseling Program - *Draft Update*

Section 7 - Students
7:10 - Equal Educational Opportunities - *Draft Update*
7:100 - Health, Eye, and Dental Examinations; Immunizations; and Exclusion of Students - *Draft Update*
7:160 - Student Appearance - *Draft Update*
7:180 - Prevention of and Response to Bullying, Intimidation, and Harassment - *Draft Update*
7:200 - Suspension Procedures - *Draft Update*

Section 8 - Community Relations
8:10 - Connection with the Community - *Draft Update*

Mr. Anderson entertained a motion to approve the School Board Policy Updates.

A motion was made by Ms. Graham, seconded by Mr. Hayes, to approve the IASB Recommended School Board Policy Updates from Issue 117, as presented.

The motion carried with a roll call vote of members present voting 6-0.

INFORMATION

Strategic Plan Mid-Year Update Presentation

The administration presented a mid-year update on the District's strategic plan, detailing progress across its six key focus areas: Staff Development and Retention, Academic Achievement, Whole Child Approach, Learning Environment, Stakeholder Partnerships, and Fiscal Alignment. District leaders reviewed the recommended action plans for each pillar and provided an overview of accomplishments to date. Notable highlights include implementing new ELA materials, launching the Student Ambassadors program, expanding relationship-building initiatives, and site visits to assess furniture needs.

PUBLIC COMMENT

Mr. Anderson invited public comment. There was none.

ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business, Mr. Anderson adjourned the meeting at 7:54 p.m.

All Ayes.

Attest for Distribution: _____
Mr. Ashish Kaura, Secretary

Approved: _____
Mr. Paul Anderson, President

ATTEST: _____
Mr. Ashish Kaura, Secretary